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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro & Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting \$750,000 in funding for Potomac Valley Hospital for renovations to their drug addiction center for fiscal year 2022.

The project sponsor is West Virginia Medicine project and is located at 100 Pin Oak Ln, Keyser, WV 26726

The funding is designated for Potomac Valley Hospital (PVH) to conduct renovations to house its Keyser-area drug addiction center that is functioning as a clinic for substance abuse and related behavioral health treatment as well as a resource hub for support services. PVH will use funding for renovations of a location of the hospital where these services are already taking place, but the facilities are not adequate or appropriate for a substance abuse and behavioral health treatment area

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits by creating a place where constituents can get behavioral health and substance use treatment. This is a vital investment of taxpayer dollars because the impact of the substance abuse epidemic is significant in West Virginia and in PVH's service area. In 2014, West Virginia had the highest rate of drug-related deaths in the nation. While the numbers have lowered, West Virginia still leads most other states in drug related deaths (most often from heroin and opioids).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



David B. McKinley, P.E.
Member of Congress